

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

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PARISH STAFF

Rev. Richard A. Scioli, C.S.S., Pastor

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Rev. Gregory J. Hoppough, C.S.S. (weekends)

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 P.M. Vigil

Sunday 8:00 and 10:00 A.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday

7:00 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 3:00 – 3:30 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Second & Fourth Sunday 12:30 P.M.

RCIA and ADULT CONFIRMATION

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

One year prior notice required

MISSION STATEMENT

Guided by the Spirit of God, the Roman Catholic parish family of Sacred Heart of Jesus celebrates a living faith in Jesus Christ. As a people of God we are committed to worship in the Eucharist, to prayer and to an awareness of the needs of local and global communities as the Gospel message instructs us. We direct our efforts to promote excellence in the Catholic tradition of education at all levels. We are diligent and responsible in maintaining sound financial and physical resources to meet current and future obligations. We strive to see the face of Jesus Christ in every person and to utilize the diversity of gifts present in our parish through collaborative ministries and apostolates.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

(508) 473-1036

email: ccdoffice@sacredheartmilford.org

Coordinators:

Amy Donahue and Andrew Tomaski

SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATORS:

Janet Morganelli, Ph. D. -

Tara Ridolfi, M. Ed.

Tricia Ridolfi, M. Ed.

MILFORD CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

(508) 473-7303

Marie Sciretta, Principal



MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	7:00 a.m.	For All Our Parishioners
Tues.	7:00 a.m.	Angelo DiDomenico by the family
Wed.	7:00 a.m.	Edward & Sandy Cenedella by her parents
Friday	7:00 a.m.	Antoinette (Netta) Iannitelli by her husband
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Americo Mancini by his wife and family
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Carmen DiTolve
	10:00 a.m.	Bernice Molinari by her family

January 25—January 31




**Thomas Bonina
Walter Barlow
Elaine Dworkin**

Rejoice

**Service Music
Sunday, January 24, 1916**

Entrance: Sing a New Song (495)
Preparation: The Church's One Foundation (436)
Communion: One Bread, One Body (381)
Recessional: Hail! Holy Queen (328)

 **Religious Education**
helps to build a
strong foundation

Friday, January 29th. Grade Level Retreats will be held for children in **grades 6-7.** including those who attend a Catholic school.

Grade 6— Cafeteria from 6:00-8:30 p.m.
Grade 7— Club Room from 6:00-8:30 p.m.
 Please contact the CCD office at (508) 473-1036 or ccdoffice@sacredheartmilford.org to register for this fun filled event or for more information.

Saturday, January 30th. Grade Level Retreats will be held for children in grades 4-5 including those who attend a Catholic school.

Grade 4—Chapel Room from 12:30-3 p.m.
Grade 5—Chapel Room from 9-11:30 a.m.
 Please contact the CCD office at (508) 473-1036 or ccdoffice@sacredheartmilford.org to register for this fun filled event or for more information.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND THE RELIGIOUS LIFE.



**Milford Catholic Elementary School
Enrolling for Fall 2016**

When you send your children to Milford Catholic Elementary School, you do more than share your faith with them. You put your faith in us to provide your child(ren) with a strong academic and spiritual foundation.

To learn more, make plans to attend one of our upcoming open houses on **Wednesday, January 27th** between 7:30 and 10:00 a.m. or **Sunday, January 31st** between 11:00 and 1:00 p.m.

To enroll or schedule a tour, contact us today at (508) 473-7303.



CEMETERY NOTICE

We ask that you take any **UNWANTED** decorations home with you for proper disposal. **PLEASE DO NOT DISCARD THEM ON CEMETERY GROUNDS.** Your cooperation is appreciated in order to maintain the beauty of the cemetery.

LIVING THE YEAR OF MERCY RETREAT

Sacred Heart of Jesus and St. Mary of the Assumption have collaborated to provide a one day retreat that will help us to understand and live out the Year of Mercy. Father Greg Hoppough CSS will be the speaker sharing with us practical ways to receive and share God's mercy in our everyday lives. The program will be held on **February 27th** in St. Mary's Parish Hall from **8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** ending with a Mass. Breakfast, lunch, adoration, and reconciliation will be provided. To register call Carol @ (508) 634-5435 or Cathy at St. Mary's (508) 473-2000.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy

Facts and Information

This Holy Year of Mercy is a time for us to see with the eyes of mercy. Pope Francis has often challenged us to overcome our indifference to the poor and suffering in our world. The Year of Mercy offers the antidote to indifference by helping us to recognize the needs of those around us and to practice the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. When we see with the eyes of mercy, we open the doors of our hearts.

The Corporal Works of Mercy

- ☐ to feed the hungry;
- ☐ to give drink to the thirsty;
- ☐ to clothe the naked;
- ☐ to shelter the homeless;
- ☐ to visit the sick;
- ☐ to visit the imprisoned;
- ☐ to bury the dead.

The Spiritual Works of Mercy

- ☐ to instruct the ignorant;
- ☐ to counsel the doubtful;
- ☐ to admonish sinners;
- ☐ to bear wrongs patiently;
- ☐ to forgive offenses willingly;
- ☐ comfort the afflicted;
- ☐ to pray for the living and the dead.

The Jubilee Indulgence

The Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy was issued by Pope Francis on December 8, 2015, ending on November 20, 2016. Prior to this our Holy Father, Pope Francis, attached a plenary (full) indulgence to the faithful on the occasion of the Jubilee Year of Mercy. In order to receive the plenary indulgence certain conditions are required:

1. Visiting the Cathedral of a Diocese or a designated church of pilgrimage to enter its "holy door".
2. Sacramentally confess one's sins.
3. Participation in the celebration and reception of the most Holy Eucharist with a post-communion reflection on Mercy.
4. Pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff, the Pope.
5. Doing one of the corporal works of mercy.

Our parish family of Sacred Heart of Jesus, Milford, has been designated as one of the pilgrimage church sites in the Diocese of Worcester.

What is a plenary indulgence?

It is a remission before God of the temporal punishment for sin, the guilt of which is already forgiven, which a properly disposed member of the Christian faithful obtains under certain and definite conditions. (Canon 992).

The conditions for its full effects are outlined by our Holy Father, Pope Francis, in the previous



Special Collection

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal supports dioceses in the United States and its territories that lack the resources to provide basic pastoral ministry to their populations. Through annual grants, Catholic Home Missions funds catechesis, seminarian education, lay ministry training, Hispanic ministry, and other pastoral programs in needy dioceses. As a result of the generosity of parishioners like you, this appeal impacts the lives of nearly 9 million Catholics. The dioceses funded by the appeal comprise nearly 45% of all U.S. dioceses. With your support, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal can continue to provide essential pastoral outreach in home mission dioceses. Please be generous in this appeal which will be taken up at all Masses **this weekend**, to help strengthen the Church at home. **Please place your envelope in with the regular collection**



16TH ANNUAL DIOCESAN CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

All men are invited to this important annual Conference, scheduled for Worcester's DCU Center, on **Saturday, March 12, 2016**. Hear dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders: *Novis Pictures'* **Jim Morlino**, football superstar **Father Mike Lightner**, and evangelist-convert **Mike Cumbie**, **Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers** will offer a special presentation on the Sacrament prior to confessions. Bishops and diocesan and religious priests will hear confessions. Bishop McManus will offer Mass. For a Conference brochure, further information, or registration, call (508) 929-4345. Visit our website at www.firstmensconf.org to purchase tickets.



Our parish website is www.sacredheartmilford.org. Check it out for our Sunday bulletin, Mass schedule, information about our church, our music, our religious education program, our activities and much more.

Parish Financials

Parish Support:.....1/17/16.....\$ 8,977.50
Average Wkly. Expenses (Dec.).....\$ 8,964.39

Thank you for your continued support each week

JANUARY 24, 2016

CATECHISM 101

This is a weekly series on the Sacraments of the Eucharist. All questions and answers come from the COMPENDIUM Catechism of the Catholic Church; United States Conference of Catholic Bishops; 2006; pages 81-86.

289. When does the Church oblige her members to participate at Holy Mass?

The Church obliges the faithful to participate at Holy Mass every Sunday and on holy days of obligation. She recommends participation at Holy Mass on other days as well.

290. Why must one receive Holy Communion?

The Church recommends that the faithful, if they have the right disposition, receive Holy Communion whenever they participate at Holy Mass. However, the Church obliges them to receive Holy Communion at least once a year during the Easter season.

291. What is required to receive Holy Communion?

To receive Holy Communion one must be fully incorporated into the Catholic Church and be in the state of grace, that is, not conscious of being in mortal sin. Anyone who is conscious of having committed a grave sin must first receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before going to Communion. Also important for those receiving Holy Communion are a spirit of recollection and prayer, observance of the fast, prescribed by the Church, and an appropriate disposition of the body (gestures and dress) as a sign of respect for Christ.



DAILY BREAD FOOD PANTRY

Our Daily Bread Food Pantry collection items for the month of **January are hearty soups and canned meat ravioli.** If you wish to donate please bring the items to Mass and place them in the baskets provided at the entrances. We wish to thank all the members of our parish family who support the Daily Bread Food Pantry through their volunteer activity, financial donations and prayers.